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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY OF  
STATE FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS

SUBJECT: Cuba, Operation Mongoose

In the interest of security and orderly procedure, it is suggested that the files in State pertaining to Operation Mongoose be transferred to the officer currently responsible for your operations covering Cuba.

The Chairman, Special Group (5412/2), concurs in this proposal. The sensitivity of material as it involves deliberations of the Special Group is especially noted. My own files are being turned over to the custodian of Special Group records, Mr. Parrott, for reference as may be appropriate.

As Mongoose is phased out, my own warm appreciation will always remain for your fine support and the cooperation of your staff in this difficult task. I particularly wish to pass along my commendation to Mr. Martin, Mr. Hurwitch, and their staff.

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